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## WHIFFS FROM THE OLD SPORT BIKE

BY  
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Jack Johnson has retired. Not a Patti farewell, according to the Big Smoke, but a genuine, for-ever-and-ever, cross-the-heart good-by to the squared circle.

From Chicago, the home of the black champion, a press dispatch flashed over the wires July 29 last, bringing gloom to the early fall crop of white hopes, who saw chances of fame and fortune disappear. Here is the way the sad news was worded:

"Jack Johnson is through. When the clock struck midnight tonight the champion resigned from further active participation in all things fistic. Disgusted with all things that appertain to the squared circle, Jack moved the eventful day ahead from that first proposed—Labor Day—and declared he was through.

"They won't let me fight a white man in New York, and there's too much red tape, connected with the shorter bouts, the champion gave as the reason for his sudden decision. 'I've got all that I can get out of the game now. Let the others go fight it out among themselves.

"No, there's no chance for me to come back. I'm through, and that means that there can be no inducement offered which will be sufficiently strong to get me to don my fighting clothes again."

Read the Signs.  
It is quite possible that Jack's decision to get away from the game for good and all isn't entirely due to the difficulty of arranging bouts in New York or elsewhere. His Fourth of July affair at Las Vegas may have had something to do with it, for the whistles has gone the rounds since, that Jack was far from satisfied with his own showing in the ring with Flynn, and that he told intimate friends afterwards that he wouldn't go through the training grind again under any consideration.

Jack can't last for ever, and he is keen enough to see the writing on the wall. From all accounts, he is well liked in coin, and the stories that emanated from London last year, to the effect that the champ was down and out financially, have been disproved by the Missouri method. He now owns a cafe that must be as good as a mint, and there is little chance of the wolf scratching at the door.

A while back, before the Flynn fight, Jack talked of going over to Australia and having a crack at Langford and McVea. After the fight he didn't even whisper the suggestion, another indication that July 4 brought a revelation to both men inside the ropes.

One thing is pretty certain, and that is that Johnson won't make the ass of himself that Jim Jeffries did by trying to do a come-back after an extended absence from the ring. In the first place there won't be the demand for his reappearance, and in the second he has far more intelligence than the thick-headed Jeffries, and has Jeff's disastrous experience to profit by.

Of course, there may be a match arranged immediately, with either Joe Jeannette or Al Palmer, in which case Johnson could gracefully set aside his resolve and go back to his original plan of having one more fight and retiring on Labor Day. This, however, seems to be the only chance of seeing Jack Johnson in the ring again, and, from all accounts, it's a slim chance at best.

So ring fans have in all probability said good-by to Jack Johnson, champion. A wild, irresponsible and interesting character of the fighting game was this big negro, with the love of a child or a barbarian for pomp, splendor and adulation. He basked in the light and glory of the title, and it is safe to say that no other champion ever prized his honors so highly, not only for what they brought in riches, but also for what they meant in distinction of a certain sort. Laying race prejudice aside, it must be admitted that Jack Johnson was one of the greatest champions the ring has ever seen, and that he has left his mark on boxing for all time.

**BURKETT TO QUIT.**  
Report has it that this will be the last year of the veteran Jesse Burkett in the game. He has been part owner and manager of the Worcester team of the New England League for several years, and plans to go into business in Worcester at the close of this season.

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## WILLIS-WILLIAMS FIGHT AT HILO THIS WEEK

Lightweight Championship of the Islands Will Be Decided on Big Island—Fans There Keenly Anticipating the Mill

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

HILO, Aug. 5.—Both Jockey Willis and Barney Williams are feeling good for their fight next Saturday night when they will battle for the lightweight championship of the Islands. The scrap will come off at the Armory, starting at eight o'clock, and it should be a great fight.

Willis is well known to all the Hilo fans, and can always be depended on to put up a good showing. He is quick on his feet and knows how to use his hands. He also has a habit of making things uncomfortably warm for many of his opponents.

Williams, although not known to the fans here, comes with clippings and photographs of himself from the New York and San Francisco papers that show he is some class. He has been sparring partner for Freddie Welsh on more than one occasion, and has bumped up against several good boys on the mainland.

Besides this, he has won the amateur championship of New York, and it is the opinion of the fans who have seen Willis in the ring, and who have also seen Williams at work, that the Jockey will have a hard time to win out in this fight.

The greatest interest is being taken in the fight round town and a large crowd is expected at the armory.

The preliminary between Ah Fook and Joe Sylvester is practically guaranteed as being good. This will make the third time the boys have met and as the verdict has been a draw on each of the other occasions there is certain to be something doing before the final going rings on Saturday night. Both boys are training hard and as Sylvester has joined Williams camp he will more than probably step into the ring with some new wrinkles that will make it mighty hard for Ah Fook to get the better of him.

Ping Milne, the well known preliminary scrapper of Honolulu, will open the proceedings with Manuel Richardson of Hilo and this should be one that will get the fans well warmed up for what is to come later in the evening.

## JOHNNY MCCARTHY LEAVES FOR FRISCO

Johnny McCarthy will say good-bye to his Honolulu friends this afternoon. He sails for that dear old S. F. Cal. on the Lurline, after having been in Honolulu almost four months.

McCarthy feels that he should have had a draw with Madison in his scrap Saturday, but he's a good loser, and isn't going away sore.

"I don't think the crowd gave me a regular deal last Saturday," he said this morning. "They seemed to have it in for me from the start, and I couldn't do anything right. I've had a good time in Honolulu, but Frisco's home, and I'll be mighty glad to get there again. I have the chance of a match with Jack Britton a week or so after I land, and expect to get right back into the game."

There is a chance that McCarthy will come back here for a Thanksgiving Day return match with Eddie Madison.

"I'll fight him again any time," said Johnny, "and be glad of the chance."

## BURROWS READY FOR LONG GRIND

Tom Burrows, who will try to break his own record for continuous club swinging by keeping the clubs whirling for more than 80 hours, has finished training for the grind, and will get a good rest and try to lay up an excess of sleep between now and tomorrow afternoon at 3:30, when he will commence at the Empire theatre.

Burrows says that he is in as good condition as ever in his life, and that he believes in spite of the warm weather that he will hang up a new world's mark for endurance swinging.

### WAGNER'S LONG DRIVE.

Honus Wagner performed a feat the other day in Pittsburgh that has set all the fans in the East to talking about the wonderful Dutchman. The distance from the home plate to the left-field wall is 385 feet, but Wagner hit the ball over the fence for a home run. Also, it made Wagner's third home run drive for the season.

## OAHU AND THE CAVALRY MEET AGAIN TOMORROW



## LIEUTENANT GRONINGER SECOND TEAMS WILL LINE UP AT SCHOFIELD FOR SECOND GAME OF THE PRESENT SERIES

With slightly changed line-up the Oahu Reds will tackle the fast-playing Cavalry second team tomorrow, and will try to wipe out the defeat of last Saturday by making it a home-and-home, which, after all, is what one needs in polo.

The Oahu seconds will present a different team tomorrow, in order to give all the men who have been playing regularly on the "scrub" a chance to take part in tournament games. Dr. Baldwin will be replaced at No. 1 by R. T. Shingle, Walter Macfarlane will play No. 2, Arthur Jones will take Harold Dillingham's place at 3, and the later will go to back in place of Henry Damon. This looks on paper to be a combination of about the same strength as the former one, and if both teams play up to form the contest should be just as close as the one Saturday, when the Cavalry won by 3% to 3½.

## SAWED OFF SHORT

Western tennis championship honors were won by Tony Bundy and May Sutton, who in turn defeated F. C. Inman at New York and Miss Mary K. Brown. The games were played at Lake Forrest, Ill.

Two motor boats are to race from Philadelphia to Bermuda, 710 nautical miles, for the James Gordon Bennett cup, valued at \$1500, and \$1000 cash.

Dazzle Patch, son of Dan Patch, broke the half-mile record at Minneapolis. His time was 0:58.34.

Kid McCoy, former pugilist, while enjoying his honeymoon at the Carlton, London, with his eighth bride, was arrested on a charge of larceny.

Tom Sharkey, ex-pug, is being sued for divorce. He is broken-hearted. His wife says he is a roguish lion when in his cups. She declares he is worth \$350,000, and asks \$200 a month alimony.

## INDOOR BASEBALL FOR TWO PICKED TEAMS

The first game of the second series of indoor baseball between picked teams of Y. M. C. A. members is scheduled for settlement this evening on the "Y" floor.

The new teams, which will contest a five-game series, are the Wallees, and the Alohas. The battery of the former is Cannon and O'Sullivan, while Bunn and Marcellino will be on the points for the latter team.

## BAD YEAR FOR SOUTHPAWS.

Although Rube Marquard leads the National League pitchers, Eddie Plank heads the American League, and Harry Krause is the best American Association finger, the majority of the left-handers are not having what could be called a very successful season. The three mentioned stand out as exceptions, and possibly there are a few others, Nap Rucker, for instance, who are doing well.

The eternal misfitness of things is fairly well represented by a \$3 frame on a 30-cent picture.

The Cavalry will play the same four, lining up with Heffernan, Milkin, Groninger and Baird playing in the order named. This team has the advantage of having played together in the last match, while Oahu, with a new combination, will have to shake out its team play all over again.

The series is attracting considerable interest, and last Saturday, for the opening game, the sideboards of the Lohela field were lined with machines, while the grandstand was well filled with post society and soldiery. The game tomorrow will be started at 3:30, and it is expected that some of the local polo enthusiasts will brave the red dust and make a pilgrimage to Schofield in the cause of sport.

## CHICAGO MAYOR PUTS BAN ON FIGHT FILMS

CHICAGO, Ill.—Ignoring the protests of Jack Johnson and Jack Curley, two Chicagoans, and the most interested parties, Mayor Harrison has put a ban on the Johnson-Flynn fight pictures. They will not be allowed to be exhibited here. This was the mayor's last act before starting on his vacation. The fact that Johnson's negro friends planned a big fete on the South Side, with the pictures as the piece de resistance, led to the mayor's action. He feared a race riot, for Chicago has some troublesome whites as well as blacks in the vicinity of Thirty-first street. Lou Housman, who is managing the pictures for the Johnson-Curley combination, has taken them to Hammond, over the Indiana line, and will exhibit them there. So far there has been no rush from Chicago to see the films.

## BAT NELSON WANTS HIS EARS MENDED

ROCHESTER, Minn., July 27.—Battling Nelson, decorated lightweight champion pugilist, came here and consulted physicians with reference to having his "canalflower" ear mended, he said, however, he was not ready to quit the fight game, and added that his next fight probably would be in Atlanta on Labor Day, marking the seventeenth anniversary of his entry into the fighting game.

## NEW SWIMMING RECORD MADE IN NORTHWEST

PORTLAND, July 27.—J. R. Cody, who claims to be the world's champion diver, today performed the remarkable feat of swimming down the Willamette river from Oregon City, a distance of 13 miles. Cody was in the water 8 hours and 2 minutes. This is said to have been the longest swim ever accomplished in the Pacific Northwest, if not on the Pacific Coast.

And a woman doesn't take half the care of her health that she does of her clothes.

## HOW THEY STAND

Still Washington and Boston occupy the spotlight to the exclusion of all other baseball acts. From the accounts in Eastern papers, it would seem that the followers of both major leagues have their eyes glued on the results of every game played by either of the American leaders, and that there has been considerable coin bet at 10 to 6 that Clark Griffith's aggregation catches and passes the Red Sox.

Since the standings of July 30, published yesterday, Boston has "come back" half a game, by dropping the last of the series to Chicago. Washington's standing remains the same, no game being played with Cleveland on account of the Grand Circuit races.

Vancouver now has a fair lead over Spokane in the Northwestern. For a while all six teams were bunched, but as the season advances in this league the clubs have strung out. It's a good race, however, and a week's play could completely change the order of the first division.

Percentages July 31:

| National League. |    |    |      |
|------------------|----|----|------|
|                  | W. | L. | Pct. |
| New York         | 56 | 24 | .733 |
| Chicago          | 56 | 34 | .622 |
| Pittsburgh       | 51 | 37 | .580 |
| Philadelphia     | 44 | 42 | .512 |
| Cincinnati       | 45 | 48 | .484 |
| St. Louis        | 40 | 54 | .426 |
| Brooklyn         | 35 | 58 | .376 |
| Boston           | 25 | 65 | .278 |

| American League. |    |    |      |
|------------------|----|----|------|
|                  | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Boston           | 66 | 30 | .687 |
| Washington       | 60 | 36 | .625 |
| Philadelphia     | 55 | 41 | .573 |
| Chicago          | 48 | 45 | .516 |
| Detroit          | 47 | 50 | .485 |
| Cleveland        | 45 | 52 | .464 |
| New York         | 30 | 61 | .329 |
| St. Louis        | 29 | 65 | .309 |

| Coast League. |    |    |      |
|---------------|----|----|------|
|               | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Vernon        | 67 | 44 | .604 |
| Los Angeles   | 63 | 48 | .568 |
| Oakland       | 62 | 50 | .554 |
| Portland      | 46 | 54 | .460 |
| San Francisco | 43 | 64 | .402 |

| Northwestern League. |    |    |      |
|----------------------|----|----|------|
|                      | W. | L. | Pct. |
| Vancouver            | 61 | 45 | .576 |
| Spokane              | 57 | 45 | .559 |
| Seattle              | 56 | 50 | .528 |
| Portland             | 49 | 55 | .471 |
| Victoria             | 46 | 57 | .447 |
| Tacoma               | 45 | 62 | .420 |

## SOUTHPAWS HAVE A VERY BAD YEAR

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But winning southpaws are few and far between this year. Even Vean Gregg has been going none too well, having lost nearly as many games already as he did during the entire season of 1911. But two other American League left-handers, in addition to Plank and Gregg, have succeeded in winning half their games. They are Ray Collins of Boston and Penneck of the Athletics. The Philadelphia youngsters has won one and lost one, while Collins has broken even on six games.

Morrison of the White Sox and Hamilton of the Browns have lost more than they have won. Jim Vaughn has won but three out of the twelve, while Willie Mitchell of the Naps has won but two out of eight. Lefty George has been charged with five defeats and credited with no victories.

The season has proved such a tough one on the left-handers that more than a few were sent to the minors. Connie Mack turned adrift Krause, Lefty Russell, Danforth, Salmon and Pike. St. Louis and Detroit each released Bill Bailey, while the Tigers also canned Bill Burns and Fernell. Washington sent Becker to Montreal and St. Louis cut Frill off the payroll.

Some men are like roosters—they crow pretty well, but when it comes to work they let their wives do it.

Perhaps you have noticed how nicely a woman who lives alone gets along—and how nicely a man who lives alone doesn't.

For every lawyer who fights for the right there is one who fights for the wrong.

A good thing about summer is your appreciating it when the mercury is flirting with the zero mark.

Some people are unable to collect their thoughts—probably because they have none coming to them.

After a girl has acted as bridesmaid five or six times she begins to feel as unimportant as an ex-vice-president.

## NEW YORK PLANS A ROYAL RECEPTION TO OLYMPIC ATHLETES

Regular Troops and Militia Will Turn Out and President Taft Will Be There to Welcome Team

NEW YORK, July 30.—The Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Union, which has in hand the reception of the American Olympic team, has decided to arrange a parade for 10 o'clock Saturday morning, October 26th. President Taft will be invited to attend and to order as many regular troops to New York for the occasion as possible. The National Guard regiments also will be asked to march.

Besides the parade there will be a dinner to the members of the team. The committee also hopes to present souvenir medals to each member of the team.

President Taft's letter to James Thorpe, the Carlisle Indian School student who was victorious in the Olympic games at Stockholm, was made public today. The President said:

"I have much pleasure in congratulating you on account of your noteworthy victory at the Olympic games at Stockholm. Your performance was one of which you may well be proud. You have set a high standard of physical development which is only attained by right living and right thinking, and your victory will serve as an incentive to all to improve those qualities which characterize the best type of American citizen. It is my earnest wish that the future will bring you success in your chosen field of endeavor."

## TENNIS WILL START SOON

The championship tennis tournament was to have been taken up again tomorrow, with the start of the mixed doubles event, but from the present outlook this will go by default from lack of entries. There has been little interest shown in either mixed doubles or ladies' doubles, the latter event having been abandoned when only two of three teams could be found to take part.

The men's doubles will not be decided until the players return from the team match against Maui, which is scheduled for settlement on the tenth.

There have been some changes in the pairings of the Honolulu players. A. L. Castle now being partnered with D. W. Anderson, while J. H. Barnes, who has just returned from the mainland, will play with C. J. Hoogs. Alan Lowrey will remain on Kaula, and will not be available for the Maui matches for the Punene cup.

## NEW SCULLING CHAMP.

LONDON, July 29.—Ernest Barry of England is now the world's sculling champion. He wrested the title from Richard Armet of New Zealand in a race on the Thames from Putney to Mortlake today.

In addition to winning the championship, Barry also won a side bet of \$5,000.

The race was rowed under disagreeable conditions, a drizzling rain spoiling the weather.

Efforts will now be made to match Barry with James Wray, coach of the Harvard University crew. Barry stated his willingness to share in this international match.

The official time for the race was 23 minutes 8 seconds. This is more than 3 minutes behind the record.

Arnet won his title in 1908, when he defeated W. Webb, and he held it ever since until today. He had defended it four times previous to today's race.

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## TOMMY BURNS' HAT NOW IN RING

Says That When Johnson Retires It's Up to Him to Defend the Title

When Tommy Burns passed through Honolulu on his way home from Australia a few months ago he gave his friends here a talk about returning to the fighting game and regaining the heavyweight championship that had been very much like a joke. Tommy must have been serious, though, for, after a couple of minor fights in the Canadian wilds, he comes out and tosses his hat in the ring, not as another white hope, mind you, but as the logical legatee of Johnson's crown.

A dispatch from Calgary, under date of July 30, says: Tommy Burns, ex-champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, announced tonight his intention to make an attempt to regain the title. Discussing an Associated Press dispatch quoting Johnson, who won his title from Burns, as stating that he had permanently retired from the ring, Burns said:

"Now that Johnson has retired the title reverts to the white race, and I am prepared to defend it. Johnson says I gave him the toughest fight of his whole career."

Burns has been living in Calgary for the past year.

Jack Johnson's announcement produced a quick response from Dan McKettrick, manager for Jeanette.

"It is not customary in America to claim a pugilistic championship," he said, "and I am not seeking to establish a precedent, but I sincerely believed I am justified in claiming the world's heavyweight title for Jeanette."

## DREYFUSS SORE AT M. O'TOOLE

That he is becoming tired and disgusted with the frequency with which Marty O'Toole, the spitball finger, for whom he paid the record-breaking price of \$22,500, is being trounced, has been made known by President Barney Dreyfuss, while holding a post mortem over the loss of a game with the New York Giants.

Dreyfuss was madder than a wet hen over the loss of the game. Some one suggested that Carey should be censured for being caught napping off first base in the eighth chapter of the game. They did score one run in this inning and Carey being thrown out lost another.

"It was O'Toole's fault and Carey should not be blamed for the loss of that game," Dreyfuss said. "It is not necessary to pay a pitcher a high salary to go in there and hand out three walks in one inning. I can go out on the mound and do as good myself and save the salary of the pitcher. There is no excuse for such miserable pitching."

Dreyfuss seldom finds fault with his players, but he could not refrain from pouring forth his indignation over the work of the high-priced twirler.

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